

Abstract

This thesis deals with methodology for robbery investigation as one of the methodologies that form the special part of crime investigation science. The reason why these methodologies (not only the methodology for robbery investigation) are being developed is the constant change of how are robberies (and other crimes in general) committed, and the pursuit of developing the most effective methods for investigation that will help the police prevent robberies and crime in general. The aim of this thesis is to outline a comprehensive overview of the methodology for robbery investigation with the focus on the specifics of robbery investigation.

The first two chapters provide a characteristic of robberies, first, from the view of criminal law. Even though the criminal law characteristics of robberies is not usually part of the methodology for robbery investigation, this paper reports on it, as it is important for understanding the whole problematics of robberies. The criminal law characteristics chapter tackles not only current definition of robbery obtained in Criminal code, but also the historical development of legal regulation of robbery. The second characteristics it provides is from the view of crime scene investigation science (criminalistics) using the outcomes of different studies and works of different criminology and CSI science authors.

In the following chapters the thesis attempts to outline all of the specifics of robbery investigation which have to be taken into account by the police officers. Specifically, it is the specifics of the subject of the investigation, the initiative to initiate criminal proceedings. It also deals with the specifics of initial and following police actions which are usually being undertaken by the investigators during police investigation. The thesis tackles the most often police actions used by the investigators, noting that these are not the only actions that can be undertaken within the investigation. The last part of the thesis concludes with the focus on specifics of the involvement of public in the investigation. In comparison with different investigations, the interest of the general public to help the police with investigation by providing information about the investigation is great. Following that the thesis deals with robbery prevention suggested by some of the researchers.

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